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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDI

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

SS-X-20 Missile

I am interested in knowing how we think the SS-X-20 is launched from the erector launcher. I understand the missile is lifted into a vertical position. How do the Soviets prevent the blast of the missile from upsetting the whole launcher transporter? Do they have to spend considerable time jacking up the transporter launcher or otherwise securing it so that it doesn't move?

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